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**RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR INFORMATION**

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Sir:

This paper is filed in Response to the Requirement for Information dated June 27, 2007.

Applicants respond to the Examiner's questions 1-5 as follows:

1. No. The corresponding Japanese application has not yet been examined.
2. No. (an Office Action has not been issued).
3. No (an Office Action has not been issued).
4. There are no other corresponding applications in any countries other than the United States.

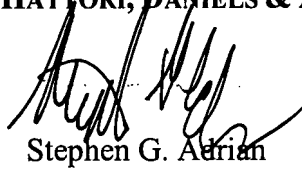
5. Applicants indicate that any claim elements are not disclosed by Japanese Patent Application No. 09-209056 (Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 11-53532). Accordingly, the answer to question 5 is No.

Accordingly, it is believed that this paper is fully responsive to the requirement for information. Furthermore, because there was no information to submit, it is respectfully submitted that the paper filed June 1, 2007 was fully responsive.

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